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UTAH TRANSIT AUTHORITY GRAMA REQUEST FOR RECORDS

Date: 7/30/03

TO: Sue Emmertson, Records Officer
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Description of records sought (*must be described with reasonable specificity*): See Attach.

- ☒ I would like to inspect the records. *Records are normally gathered without cost, unless the nature of the request requires extraordinary research and downloading of information normally kept in database or electronic formats.*
- ☐ I would like to receive copies of the records. I understand that I am responsible for costs (25¢ per 8-1/2 x 11 page. Additional charge for 4-color, oversize copies, and postage. Additional actual costs will be due if request results in extraordinary research or preparation of information).²
- ☐ I am the subject of the record and request a waiver of copy costs (only for use by persons claiming inability to pay - attach information supporting your request as an impecunious person).
- ☐ I would like you to fax me a copy of the documents. (any extraordinary costs must be prepaid)

If applicable, check one of the following and attach necessary documentation:

- ☐ I am the subject of the record and/or the person who provided the information that is the subject of the record. (Your signature below must be notarized.)
- ☐ I am authorized to have access by the subject of the record or by the person who submitted the information (*attach executed release dated within 90 days of the date of this request*).
- ☒ Other. Explain PREPARING FOR SITE SOIL SAMPLING ACTIVITIES.

My name: _____

Company (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

My daytime telephone number: _____

- ☐ I am requesting expedited review and statement that the records are not responsive that demonstrates you are exempt.



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¹ While faxed requests are accepted, copies must be paid for at pickup unless other agreement has been made.

² UTA will respond to your request by having records ready for view or copying, or give formal denial of request in most cases within ten business days of the date this request is received by UTA's Records Officer.



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June 10, 2003

Grantley Martelly, REM
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Dear Mr. Martelly:

Thank you for meeting with Craig Barnitz (UDEQ/DERR) and me on May 28. As I explained to you, EPA and the state are currently investigating several sites/locations in the US known or suspected to have received ore from the (closed) Vermiculite Mine which is now part of the Libby (MT) Tremolite Asbestos NPL site. In decades past, ore from the Libby mine was rail-hauled to two Salt Lake City, UT (SLC) locations, exfoliated, and subsequently sold in the local wholesale and retail markets.

The first SLC site operated from 1940 till the early 1980's. The exfoliation operation then relocated to another SLC address where it operated for an additional 2-4 years before shutting down:

- Vermiculite Intermountain 333 West 100 South, SLC
OSC - Floyd Nichols 303.312.6983
- Intermountain Insulation 733 West 800 South, SLC
OSC - Joyce Ackerman 303.312.6822

A Utah Power & Light Co. (UPL) power distribution substation is currently located at the 333 West 100 South site, and a UTA Tractor Power Substation (TPS) is on a leased portion of that UPL facility.

In 2002, EPA collected soil samples from a portion of the UPL substation (areas are not adjacent to or associated with your TPS unit). Analysis of those samples showed the presence of Tremolite Asbestos on the ground surface and at depth at various locations. In late 2002, UPL completed some asbestos abatement activities at the substation. During walk-through tours of the substation last month with other EPA, UDEQ, and UPL representatives, it appeared that mine ore and/or Vermiculite residues are still present on ground surfaces within the substation and, possibly, present on properties or parcels immediately-adjacent to the substation. Accordingly, EPA is proposing to collect additional surface and subsurface samples from on and around the



UPL substation later this summer, including the parcel currently leased to UTA.

As I explained to you on the 28th, EPA contractors are currently preparing a Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) which will discuss and describe the sampling effort we propose to conduct at and around the substation later this summer. During our conversations, we discussed various physical features and construction elements of the TPS unit at the UPL substation (i. e., footprint, construction depth, grounding grid, transformer characteristics, disposition of excavated soils, etc.). To support our SAP development, you indicated UTA would research existing records concerning construction of the TPS unit, and share with us those records which may be pertinent to or helpful for our sampling effort. According to your recollection, the pertinent information, most likely, would be found in:

1. Property Transaction, ESA Baseline Report, Third Street Substation, prepared for PacifiCorp.
2. Construction drawings regarding how the UTA Light Rail Traction Power Substation was constructed.
3. Any documentation regarding the removal of soil from the UTA portion of the site during construction.

As we discussed, I will provide you a draft copy of the SAP for your review as soon as it is available - probably in early July. If you have concerns about any SAP elements, we would hope to hear from you within a couple of weeks after you receive the draft. We won't sample on the UTA-leased parcel at the substation until we have addressed your concerns. We will share with you analytical results for samples collected on any UTA parcels.

Thanks for your assistance during this investigation and for sharing the information with us. If you have any questions, please call me at 303.312.6983.

Thanks



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On Scene Coordinator

cc: Craig Barnitz, UDEQ/DERR